



## Fairfield League of Yankee Radio Controllers



### ZOOM MEETING MINUTES, April 3, 2024

**CALL TO ORDER: 7pm, 22 members present. No new members present.**

**APPROVAL OF LAST MONTH'S MINUTES: Approved.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS: CORRESPONDENCE, UPCOMING EVENT:**

- Upcoming events.... Bob Motta no dates reported.
- Principle of Flight.... Ron informed the club that our next presentation is May 29 & 30, no rain date. Pomperaug presentation delayed until Sept or Oct. Financial grants from Boehringer Ingelheim and Union Savings Bank have been applied for.
- Our swap meet is scheduled for Saturday June 8, rain date Sunday June 9 at Pettybone School in New Milford.
- CAPC, July 20
- WRAM Fun Fly and Swap meet is scheduled for ...June 29 at the WRAM field.
- Our AMA Club Charter has been renewed
- Our AMA Gold Leader Club status has been reconfirmed for 2024.... GOOD JOB BY ALL!!!

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

- Membership Report... Ken reported we have 71 paid members that includes 4 junior members.

#### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

- Financial Report.... Ken reported the club is in good financial shape. We have also had several donations.

#### **SOUND AND SAFETY: Rich Margules**

- Safety Report... Rich has advised members to not arm electric planes unless they are on the flite line.
- AED Update... Rich has been researching AEDs. He suggested we have a member that takes responsibility for maintenance and training. Nino has volunteered. More research needs to be done regarding the feasibility of installation at our field due to temperature extremes. Rich will continue the investigation.
- Refresher Flight Training ... It has been suggested that we have a designated training night to be held on a weekday evening that would have instructors available to help members improve their flying skills. Bill suggested a lite BBQ may get things started. Date to be determined.
- Bill informed members that the first aid kit presently in the mower shed will be moved to the warming hut, so it is more available.

#### **FIELD MAINTENANCE:**

- Overall, the field is in good shape. As we get the spring rain, be careful of the soft soil in the parking lot, particularly on the far side.
- Spring Field Day will be in mid or late April weather dependent...More to come in the near future.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- A plan has been confirmed to donate our SWAP meet proceeds to a local charity. This year to Southbury Ambulance/Fire Dept.
- 8 club members have volunteered to help at our public "Come learn about RC planes & flying" part of the SWAP meet. Bill spoke with the AMA, and they are happy to participate and support with funds. Bill asked Ron to investigate having this type of

stand-alone event in Southbury, so it doesn't interfere with the Swap meet. We'll have a separate discussion with the volunteers to divide up the adventure.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Bill provided an update on Wilton flying site FAA inspection. Someone made a complaint to the FAA. The FAA inspector came to the site in Wilton which is not FRIA approved. Some members of the Wilton club did not have required electronic ID modules or paperwork.
- Chris Vargo delivered a very detailed power point presentation on what is required by law to comply with AMA & FAA Rules. FLYRC field has FRIA approval, so no ID module is required. All planes must have the FAA number on the outside of the plane. They must have the name of the owner, AMA number on the plane somewhere that is easily accessible. It was advised to have a label with all the information on the outside of the plane. A label with name, telephone number, FAA#, and AMA# is available from many sources or could easily be printed on a standard mailing label. All FLYRC members must comply when flying at the FLYRC field. If you fly at a non-FRIA approved site, you must have an electronic ID module installed in your plane as well as the label discussed above. An email with this information will be sent to FLYRC club members.

**MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:40pm**

**Submitted by Roger Hornecker 4-4-2024**